#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

### In re Application of:

**Application No.:** 10/572,576 **Examiner:** Wilson, Lee D.

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For: POSITIONING APPARATUS AND CLAMPING SYSTEM

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# REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION OF DECEMBER 7, 2007

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

### **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is responsive to the Office Action dated December 7, 2007 in the above application.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

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### **AMENDMENT**

Please amend the pending application in accordance with the following particulars.

# In the Specification

An amendment to the specification is shown in the following pages under the heading AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION.

### In the Claims

The claims are amended as shown on the following pages under the heading LIST OF CURRENT CLAIMS. The list shows the status of all claims presently in the application and is intended to supersede all prior versions of the claims in the application. Any cancellation of claims is made without prejudice or disclaimer.